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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE,

In the application of Kazuo Uchida and Shinichi Mashiba

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For: METHOD OF DETECTING LOW DENSITY

LIPOPROTEIN (LDL) OR DENATURED LOW

DENSITY LIPOPROTEIN LIPOPROTEIN IN BLOOD

REQUEST FOR REFUND PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. §1.28

The Honorable Commissioner
of Patents and Trademarks
Washington DC 20231

This is a request for a refund pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.28. To provide a basis for this request, applicant encloses copies of the Verified Statements Claiming Small Entity Status for this application that have been executed by the inventors and by the Assignee, and that are being filed concurrently with this request for refund. Applicant also submits a copy of the Assignment and cover sheet for this application, assigning rights to the invention to Ikagaku Co., Ltd.

The above-identified patent application was filed on July 19, 2000 and the large entity status filing fee was submitted with the application. The inventors

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and the Assignee of the application qualify for small entity status and were qualified for this status from before the date upon which applicant paid the large entity fee for this application.

In view of the fact that Ikagaku Col, Ltd. qualifies for small entity status as evidenced by the enclosed Verified Statement, and that this request for a refund is made within two months of paying the large entity filing fee, applicant respectfully requests the Patent Office to issue a refund in the amount of \$345.00 to the undersigned, as attorneys for applicant. This refund should be credited to Deposit Account No. 22-0259.

Respectfully submitted,

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